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## VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Mr. David Waddell Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 32743-0505

Re:

Maxcess, Inc. - Docket No. 00-00744

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed please find for filing an original and one (1) copy of an Irrevocable Letter of Credit in the amount of \$20,000 to be filed in Maxcess, Inc.'s Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Competing Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in Tennessee in Docket No. 00-00744.

Also enclosed is an extra copy of this letter to be date stamped and returned to me in the enclosed, self-addressed, postage prepaid envelope. If you have any questions or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Anthony Cooke

Director of Government Affairs for

Lance J.M. Steinhart

Attorney for Maxcess, Inc.

Enclosures

cc: Daniel H. Webb (w/enc)





### IRREVOCABLE STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT

IN FAVOR OF: Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

 DATE: August 14, 2000

CREDIT NUMBER: MBL-SB-33949

FOR ACCOUNT OF: Maxcess, Inc. 100 West Lucerne Circle Orlando, FL 32801

EXPIRATION: 9/15/2001 AT OUR COUNTERS IN MOBILE, ALABAMA 106 St. Francis St., 16th Floor, Mobile, AL 36606 (Automatically Renewable)

#### LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the request of, Maxcess, Inc. we hereby establish our Irrevocable Letter of Credit which will remain available on behalf of Maxcess, Inc. (the "Company") who has applied to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "TRA") for authority to provide telecommunications services in the state of Tennessee. The purpose of this Letter of Credit is to secure payment of any monetary sanction imposed against the Company, its representatives, successors or assigns, in any enforcement proceeding brought under Title 65 of Tennessee Code Annotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990, by or on behalf of the TRA.

We hereby establish and issue, in favor of the TRA, an Irrevocable Letter of Credit in the amount of twenty thousand (20,000.00) lawful money of the United States of America. The TRA may draw upon this Letter of Credit, at any time or from time to time, by presentation of Exhibit A, which shall specify the amount (the "Draw Amount") to be drawn and the bank account (the "Bank Account") to which the Draw Amount should be delivered and shall be signed by an official designated and duly authorized by the TRA, to Regions Bank at the address listed below, or to such other address Regions Bank shall notify the TRA in writing by certified mail. Promptly after the delivery of each Notice, Regions Bank hereby covenants and agrees to effect payment by wire transfer of immediately available funds, the Draw Amount to TRA.

This Letter of Credit shall be deemed automatically renewed without amendment for successive one-year periods and may be canceled by Regions Bank by giving thirty (30) days advanced written notice by certified mail of such cancellation to the TRA and the Company, it being understood that Regions Bank shall not be relieved of liability that may have accrued under this Letter of Credit prior to the current expiration date.

Regions Bank hereby represents and warrants that it is a qualified and authorized to issue this Letter of Credit and is a bank designated by the Treasurer of the State of Tennessee as an authorized depository bank for the deposit of state funds.

Exhibit A represents an integral part of this credit.

Any reference to Title 65 of Tennessee Code or Consumer Telemarketing Act is for informational purposes only and does not form an integral part of this credit.

THE ORIGINAL OF THIS LETTER OF CREDIT MUST BE PRESENTED WITH ANY DRAWING.

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We hereby engage with you that drafts drawn under and in compliance with the terms of the credit will be duly honored upon presentation and delivery of the documents as specified.

Except so far as otherwise expressly stated, this documentary credit is subject to the "Uniform Customs and Practice for Documentary Credits" (1993 Revision as fixed by the International Chamber of Commerce Publication No.500) /mk

REGIONS BANK, MOBILE, ALABAMA On behalf of Regions Bank, Brandenton, FL

106 St. Francis Street Telex: 505528MNB Post Office Box 2527

Mobile, Alabama 36602

Telephone 334 690-1245

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# APPROVAL AND ENDORSEMENT

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| Parious Pauls  |   |
| Regions Bank<br>106 St. Francis St   |   |
| Mobile, AL 36602   |   |
| 16th Floor   |   |
| Re: Irrevocable Letter of Credit No. MBL SB 33949  |   |
| Dear Sir or Madam:   |   |
| authorized by the TRA to deliver this notice and that a Amount") has been imposed against Maxcess, Inc. its          | tifies, that the undersigned is an official designated and duly monetary sanction in the amount of \$20,000.00 (the "Draw representatives, successors or assigns, in an enforcement nnotated or the Consumer Telemarketing Act of 1990, by or |
| Pursuant to that certain Irrevocable Letter of Credit refere<br>Draw Amount to the bank account listed below by wire | nced above, we hereby request that you effect payment of the transfer of immediately available funds:   |
| Name of Beneficiary Bank:  |   |
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| Name of Contact:   |   |
| Telephone Number: Facsimile Number:  |   |
| Please confirm receipt of this Notice and the Federal Re<br>Amount by sending a facsimile to the person at the num   | serve wire confirmation number of the delivery of the Draw ber listed above.  |
| Sincerely,   |   |
| Tennessee Regulatory Authority   |   |
| Name:  |   |
| Title:   |   |